



RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE ATLANTIC COAST PIPELINE

WHEREAS, a group of major U.S. energy companies, including Dominion, Duke Energy, and Southern Gas recently formed a joint partnership to build the Atlantic Coast Pipeline, a 600-mile natural gas transmission line that will run from Harrison County, West Virginia to Robeson County in our state; and

WHEREAS, a lack of natural gas pipeline capacity, especially in eastern North Carolina currently limits North Carolina's access to this economical and environmentally friendly form of energy; and

WHEREAS, the route of the proposed 600-mile route of the Atlantic Coast Pipeline will pass through the eastern part of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the Atlantic Coast Pipeline will make the growing supplies of natural gas produced in the Appalachian shale basins such as the Marcellus and Utica formations much more available to North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, this will provide an additional natural gas supply source for the homes and businesses in the Eastern part of the region; and

WHEREAS, this project will help alleviate a shortage of pipeline capacity in North Carolina and work against pipeline constraints such as those that caused severe natural gas price spikes during the extremely cold winter of 2014; and

WHEREAS, this better access will help promote North Carolina's continued economic development by providing better opportunities to recruit new manufacturing facilities that use the fuel; and

WHEREAS, this improved access will also work to improve air quality by enabling power generators to build new plants using this environmentally friendly fuel or convert existing plants to natural gas power;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the North Carolina Economic Development Association supports construction of the Atlantic Coast Pipeline and notes the project's significant benefits for our state's consumers, utilities, industries and continued economic growth and development.

Approved – February 6, 2016



US 70 Corridor Commission

TO: Honorable Roy Cooper
Governor

Secretary Jim Trogdon

Secretary Michael Reagan

Secretary Tony Copeland

FROM: M. Durwood Stephenson

DATE: January 19, 2018

RE: ACP – RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT
LENOIR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

I am forwarding a RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ACP at the request of Lenoir County Commissioners.

I am told there have been some inquiries about funding for taps and distribution. Obviously, that is necessary in order to provide jobs and economic development opportunities as our support team has suggested. I remain convinced Duke and Old Dominion will provide funds for the gas infrastructure to have impact in Eastern North Carolina.

Today, FERC issued a Limited Notice To Proceed for West Virginia and Virginia to commence construction activities. I remain hopeful North Carolina can soon issue local State approvals, but with assurances that taps and consumer gas will be funded and available.

We are grateful the Lenoir County Commissioners have joined a majority of our Towns and Counties in Eastern North Carolina with this voice of support.

Thank you all for your diligence and efforts in continuing to provide Eastern North Carolina with the infrastructure tools necessary to grow and sustain our rural economies.

cc: Mark Pope/Lenoir County Board of Commissioners
Honorable Tom Mark
Jennifer Collins
E. Norris Tolson
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WHEREAS, the Lenoir County Board of Commissioners promotes and advocates for businesses, economic development and education in Clayton and its surrounding communities, serves as a catalyst for improving the quality of life in the Lenoir County community; and

WHEREAS, the Lenoir County Board of Commissioners promotes industrial growth in the eastern part of Lenoir County and enabling Eastern North Carolina to attract industries and creating jobs which will grow Lenoir county and Eastern North Carolina as a whole; and

WHEREAS, rural Eastern North Carolina lacks adequate infrastructure necessary for economic growth with the absence of natural go necessary for manufacturing; and

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WHEREAS, this improved access will also work to improve air quality by enabling power generators to build new plants using this environmentally friendly fuel or convert existing plant to natural gas power.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, this the 16th day of January, in the year of our Lord, two thousand eighteen that the Lenoir County Board of Commissioners supports construction of the Atlantic Coast Pipeline and notes the project's significant benefits for our state's consumers, utilities, industries, and continued economic growth and development.


Craig Hill, Chairman


Vickie Freeman King
Clerk to the Board

